CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board MEETING MINUTES

Date – May 12, 2010

Moshier Arts Center

Time - 7:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Ndifon Hiede Holmes Larry Moormeier

Ted Fosberg Ed Dacy Sheryl Knowles

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Jean Spohn

STAFF PRESENT

Steve Roemer, Parks Development and Operations Manager Gina Kallmam, Cultural Arts Supervisor

GUESTS PRESENT

None

Ted Fosberg called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 PM.

CITIZEN COMMENT

None

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA & AGENDA REVIEW

None

MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the March 10, 2010 meeting were approved 5/0/0.

AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS

New Parks Board member Hiede Holmes was introduced to the Board and received an orientation on the PaRCS Department and Parks Board.

PRESENTATION

• Gina Kallmam provided a presentation on the Cultural Arts program and provided a tour of the Moshier Arts Center.

- ✓ The center was built in the 1960's by King County and started public classes, which evolved into ceramic arts focus by the mid 60's.
- ✓ The center now serves over 200 students a quarter, ages 3 to 91, including adults with disabilities. Classes now include ceramics, sculpture and painting mediums.
- ✓ The center is subsidized approximately 50%, however the classes offered operate at cost recovery, also with support from professional artists.
- ✓ The center is fully equipped to support the variety of classes, as well as professional artists that have studio space in the center.
- ✓ Moshier Art Center has 70 volunteers providing an average of 1280 hours of work each year. Some of the duties include loading kilns, mixing clay, cleaning the building, staffing the building and several work the numerous special events; pottery sales and empty bowls.
- ✓ Projects that are produced through the Cultural Arts include; Moshier Art Center brochure, community events such as Art-A-Glow, Music and Movies in the Park, and Lantern Festival, PaRCS annual event calendar, Burien Arts and Culture brochure, B/IAS and a recent Arts Summit.
- ✓ Cultural Arts provide staff support to the Arts Commission Advisory Board, which also supports projects such as B/IAS, school programs, enhance the facilities within PaRCS through art display and education, and manage a grant program which focuses on arts oriented community benefitting projects.
- Steve Roemer provided an update on current capital projects in the parks.
 - ✓ Community Garden to open on May 15th to the first 25 plot holders.
 - ✓ Seahurst project is in the 35% design and Value Engineering phase of the Feasibility Study with the USACE. Staff is applying for grant funds for recreational elements that will not be constructed by the USACE.
 - ✓ Staff is applying for a Community Development Block Grant to renovate picnic facilities and replace the playground at Puget Sound Park.
- Ted Fosberg reported on the recent WRPA conference's section on Economic Development and the value of parks to a local economy and quality of life. The presenter at the conference was John Crompton whose opinions can be found in his book Parks and Economic Development.
- Staff and Board reviewed the Annual Board Report and members will advise staff of any further edits.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND/OR QUESTIONS

- Community Garden topics, as necessary and a tour of existing community gardens
- Parks Capital projects updates
- 2010/2011 Parks budget
- Annexation as related to the parks and tour of new parks
- Update on volunteer activities

- Recreation program updates
- Potential for future passive recreational opportunities in parks, ie. frisbee golf, bocce ball.
- Impact of annexation on recreation staff.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Larry Moormeier discussed a desire to connect Salmon Creek Ravine trails with Seahurst Park trails, adjacent to 16th Ave. SW.
- Suggestion to advertise the new community gardens at the Burien Farmers Market. Staff will follow up.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Roemer, Parks Manager, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services